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SUBJECT 1. Ship Sightings in Gdansk (Danzig)  
2. S.S. GOYNIA, S.S. GDANSK, S.S. SZCZECIN  
and S.S. KOFRNIK

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3. The following is a tabulation of ships loading coal in Danzig harbor:

Ship's Name Nationality GRT

OTTO SCHMIDT USSR 3,549

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Lighter VENT

USSR

2,000

Lighter ONEGA

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WIELUN

Poland

2,000

Another Soviet lighter also received a cargo of coal:

for cargo [redacted] Polish S/S GLIWICE waited

4. [redacted] a total of 20,000 men worked in round-the-clock shifts in the Danzig shipyard. [redacted] the new Polish NOWA HUTA-type ships GDYNIA, GDANSK and SZCZECIN [redacted]

5. At 6 a.m. on 21 August 1953 [redacted] Polish PT boats [redacted] had wooden hulls, were about 20 meters long and were moored at a wooden pier. They were painted dark gray, had an unencumbered foredeck and a small wheel house with a short signal mast, were armed with two 20-mm AA guns aft of the bridge and a large gun with a long barrel on the fantail near the stern and, on each side of the stern, had bomb-launching apparatus each with four depth bombs. They had no torpedo armament.

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1. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] two Polish crews sent [redacted] to sail the S.S. GDYNIA and the S.S. SZCZECIN had to return to Poland because the Soviets had already taken them away.

2. [redacted] Comment: Previous information indicated that merchant ship KOPERNIK was previously named LODZ. She passed Brunsbuettel [redacted] on 17 August 1953.

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